

# ADVENT

Join the Prince of Peace community in daily acts of prayer, service, and joy during this Advent season. Find more information about all events and liturgies this Advent at [POPOLATHE.ORG/ADVENT](http://POPOLATHE.ORG/ADVENT).

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3 DECEMBER

### First Sunday of Advent

Take some time to bless your family's Nativity scene & Advent wreath. (blessing bookmark at [popolathe.org/advent](http://popolathe.org/advent).)

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Starting today, make a habit of reading the daily Mass readings this Advent.

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Attend tonight's **Parish Penance Service** at 7pm. Go to confession and enjoy Christmas with a clean heart and peaceful soul, thanks to God's mercy.

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Feast of St. Nicholas  
Take some time today to learn about who the real St. Nicholas was! Maybe he'll even leave a treat in your shoes overnight!

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During this Advent season, collect food items to donate to a local food pantry (*see back page*).

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Feast of the **Immaculate Conception** of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Holy Day of Obligation  
Mass times: 6:15am, 8:15am, Noon & 6:30pm

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Have a family night at home, playing board games and drinking hot chocolate!  
Turn off the TV and put away phones to enjoy each other's company.

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### Second Sunday of Advent

Join us today in the Parish Hall at 10 AM today for a parish Christmas Party!

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Surprise someone by doing a task or chore they normally do.

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Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

Celebrate Our Lady of Guadalupe with a Mexican meal for dinner tonight!

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Pray the rosary (or a decade) as a family. With each Hail Mary, reflect on how Mary would be feeling in these days leading up to the birth of her Son.  
*Weekly Rosary Group meets at 7pm tonight in the Church - join us!*

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Today make Christmas cards as a family to mail to grandparents or to drop off for the elderly at Villa St. Francis.

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Join us for tonight's Parents Night Out - drop the kiddos off for dinner + a movie while parents enjoy a date night! Details + RSVP:



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Return your Advent Giving Tree gift to the gathering space this weekend!

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### Third Sunday of Advent

The birth of Jesus is drawing near! Make an effort to get the family all dressed up for Mass today.

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Sometime this week, make and deliver treats to friends, neighbors, teachers, etc.

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Just as we make room in our hearts for Jesus this Advent, today take time to clean out and donate old toys and clothing items.

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Listen to some Christmas music while you complete a task you've been putting off.

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Reach out to a friend or family member who hasn't been to Church in a while, and invite them to Christmas Mass with your family.

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Spend time as a family reading the Nativity story tonight, then enjoy a family movie night, watching a Christmas classic!

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Take some time to prepare for Christmas festivities today, so you can be ready and present on Christmas Day to celebrate Jesus' birth!

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### Fourth Sunday of Advent

Sunday Obligation Mass  
Times: 7:30am, 9am, 11am

Christmas Eve Masses:  
4pm, 6pm & 9pm

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Christmas Day Masses:  
8am & 10am

At dinner tonight, have everyone share about their favorite Christmas memory or tradition!



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 **PRINCE of PEACE**  
CATHOLIC CHURCH

# REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR

*Each day this Advent,  
add a food item to a box.  
After Christmas, donate  
the contents of the box  
to Catholic Charities or  
another local food pantry!*

December 3 - macaroni & cheese  
December 4 - canned fruit  
December 5 - canned tomatoes  
December 6 - canned tuna  
December 7 - peanut butter  
December 8 - cranberry sauce  
December 9 - stuffing mix  
December 10 - package of rice  
December 11 - package of oatmeal  
December 12 - box of pasta  
December 13 - spaghetti sauce  
December 14 - can of soup  
December 15 - canned corn  
December 16 - complete pancake mix  
December 17 - plastic jars of applesauce  
December 18 - canned mixed vegetables  
December 19 - granola bars  
December 20 - canned chili  
December 21 - cooking oil  
December 22 - canned green beans  
December 23 - fruit juice  
December 24 - canned beans  
December 25 - ground coffee

## ADVENT CONFESSION OPPORTUNITIES

+ Wednesdays at Noon & Saturdays at 3:30 PM  
+ Friday, Dec. 1 at 6 PM (*Encounter Night*)  
+ Saturday, Dec. 2 at 9 AM  
+ Tuesday, Dec. 5 at 7 PM (*Parish Penance Service*)  
+ Wednesdays, Dec. 13 & 20 at 6 PM



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LET US  
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## CHRISTMAS MASSES

**CHRISTMAS EVE**  
*Sunday, December 24*

**4 PM (church + gym)**  
**6 PM**  
**9 PM**

**CHRISTMAS DAY**  
*Monday, December 25*

**8 AM**  
**10 AM**

